

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**  
**(Large Entity)**

~~Docket No.~~  
~~10441Z~~

**In Re Application Of: Nicholas K. Hayward, et al.**

Serial No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Group Art Unit
09/349,954	July 8, 1999	C. Saoud	1647

**Invention: A NOVEL GROWTH FACTOR AND A GENETIC SEQUENCE ENCODING SAME**

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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of October 4, 2000 in the above-identified application.  
*Date*

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

- One month       Two months       Three months       Four months       Five months

from: **January 4, 2001** *Date* until: **April 4, 2001** *Date*

The fee for the extension of time is \$890 and is to be paid as follows:

- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No.  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 19-1013/SSMP  
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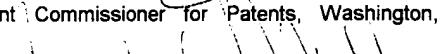
  
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<p>I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on  <b>4/4/01</b> with the U.S. Postal Service as first          class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the          Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C.  <b>20231.</b></p> 	
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